## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 705 By DeBerry L

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Frank N. Brooks, Sr. of Nashville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Frank N. Brooks, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brooks was an exemplary citizen and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Frank Brooks was born in Maury County on January 9, 1932, to the late Looney and Millie Ann Brooks; he attended the public schools of Maury County and then joined the United States Army, where he served valiantly in the Korean Conflict; and

WHEREAS, prior to his retirement in 1994, Frank Brooks served with acumen and alacrity as a Road Supervisor with the Metropolitan Transit Authority, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brooks was born and raised in the Church of God (Sanctified) and was an active and devout member of the Church of God at 12th and Meharry, which he served faithfully for many years as Deacon, Usher Board President, Brotherhood President, and Chairman of the Bus Ministry; he organized the Youth Usher Board and served on the District Scholarship Committee; and

WHEREAS, Frank Brooks was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Lee Anna Bellafant Brooks and was the proud father of daughters, Pam Martin and her husband, Bill, and Myra Brooks; and son, Frank Brooks, Jr. and his wife, Bridget; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brooks was a devoted grandfather to grandchildren William, Shawn (Chad), Nikki, Martez (LaTasiha), Frank III and Brittany and his six great grandchildren; he will also be sorely missed by his brother and sister-in-law, James R. and Patricia Brooks; his sisters-in-law, Virginia Williams and Helen Davis and her husband, Cordie; his brother-in-law, Dave Bellafant and his wife, Stella; his aunts, Mildred Yokley and Annie Lou Glenn; his uncle, Frank Blue; his special church Mom, Mother Bessie Knight; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and church family; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brooks leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional husband, father, family patriarch and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Frank N. Brooks, Sr., reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Brooks.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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